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HIGH COMMISSIONER WARNS JEWS AND ARABS

Strikers Go Back To Work

Schuman Broadcasts To People

Paris, December 10.—Most of France's 1,000,000 strikers resumed work today after an absence of three weeks, but the Executive Committee of the General Confederation of Labour announced at midday that it would continue to fight for the "release of imprisoned strikers" and the abrogation of the Government's anti-strike law.

The Confederation yesterday ordered the strikers back to work after the Government's warning of stern measures if there is not a big scale return today.

In a communique today, the Confederation announced that it might postpone its national congress from December 10 until the Government wage proposals—accepted last night—became effective.

The return of strikers in the port of Marseilles was not complete although some began work for the first time for 28 days and, sailors rejoined their ships. It was hoped that omnibus and tram services would be running normally by this evening.

Miners in the Lille area were opposed by strikers, who still wanted to stay out and pickets prevented those who wanted to return to work from entering the pits at Sallaumines.

Paris housewives had enough gas pressure for cooking, water pressure was back and work to clear the boulevards and streets of heaps of rubbish was started.—Reuter.

COUNTRY BREATHES AGAIN

Paris, December 10.—The Prime Minister, M. Robert Schuman, told the French people in a broadcast tonight: "The last strikes were drawing to a close today. Work starts again. The country breathes once more."

The only victory of which the Government hoped one day to be proud, M. Schuman continued: "is the victory over misery, injustice and exploitation of distress."

It had been said that "strikes do not pay." We observe today that strikes are expensive, very expensive, for the nation. More than 2,000,000 tons of coal, more than 400,000 tons of cast steel and the entire stoppage of unloading of supplies from ships—these among many other losses have been inflicted on the country by three weeks of strikes.

"The Government has shown firmness on the side of workers against saboteurs of employment and will join with workers in their unrelenting fight against food saboteurs," M. Schuman said.

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Severe Security Measures If Strife Does Not Cease

18 ARABS ESCAPE FROM ACRE PRISON

Jerusalem, Dec. 10.—Faced with the difficult task of maintaining law and order in Palestine with a diminishing British garrison, Sir Alan Cunningham, High Commissioner, announced today the adoption of "severe measures" if the present inter-racial strife continued. The warning was issued almost simultaneously with reports that nine Jews and at least six Arabs had been killed in renewed fighting in Palestine today.

The threatened British measures would, according to informed quarters here, include rigorous application of defence emergency laws, including the death penalty for carrying, or using, fire arms, possible countrywide restrictions for road traffic and imposition of curfews in strife-torn areas.

End Of The World Before 2,000 AD

Indian's Prophecy

Adelaide, Dec. 10.—Before the year 2,000 AD, there will be "another comet, the most destructive of all wars and the end of the world," according to Mr. Ahmar Gals Singh, an Indian claiming to be 114 years old, who has been described by Mr. George Dowdell, the Australian Government astronomer, as a "great and mysterious man with a marvellous ability to foretell future events."

Mr. Dowdell confirmed today that a fortnight ago, Mr. Singh had predicted the appearance of the new comet seen flashing across the Southern heavens during the last few days.

Mr. Singh made another prophecy today that "seven sun spots—the centre one colossal—will be visible in this area two minutes after midnight on Christmas Day."

"The people in England laughed when I predicted in 1892 that a great comet would appear in six months. They committed suicide when the great comet came," Mr. Singh declared.

Mr. Singh said that "supernatural influences" had brought him from Melbourne weeks ago.

The comet of 1892 was unusually bright, and was clearly seen by daylight. Calculations made at the time determined that it would appear about every 700 years.—Reuter.

EDITORIAL

Government Controls

SIR Victor Sassoon expressed some lively and forceful criticisms of governmental controls to the Rotary Club on Tuesday—some well founded, and some superficial. Most pertinent point made by Sir Victor concerned the maladministration of controls and the stupidity of bureaucratic officials. Here he put his finger on the prime weakness of government supervision of established freedom of trading and individual liberty. The principle of controls in any time of national emergency (such as now) requires no defending, for its purposes are equal distribution of limited resources and commodities, most effective use of manpower for production of essentials, and protection of the nation from calamitous inflation. Controls, if operated efficiently should, in a large measure, produce such results, and when they do they are justified. It is the bungling bureaucrats, devoid of imagination, incompetence, and lacking a properly developed sense of responsibility who bring ridicule and contempt on a system designed to do the most good for the most people. It is to these maladministrators, and not the conception of official controls to which criticism should be directed; moreover, it should be insisted that the incompetents be re-

placed. It is natural for traders, irked by restrictions, to urge their abolition, but the danger of swift removal of controls is considerable, as exemplified in the United States where prices have skyrocketed since war-time "ceilings" were abolished, with consequent demands for higher incomes. The old inflation spirit, Controls may not make private business particularly happy, but if fairly applied they help to maintain an economic equilibrium and perform a public service. Hongkong, as Mr. Cassidy admitted at the Rotary Club tiffin, has been fortunate in the type of people who have administered controls during the past 28 months, and so far as the community is concerned, it has cause to feel grateful to them. Without controls on essential commodities and services the Colony could never have recovered so rapidly, nor could the general public have been anything like so contented. Good sense has guided the imposition and operation of government controls in Hongkong, with complementary results, and while it is regrettable that world-wide economic circumstances make continuance of restrictions necessary, so long as these are administered in the future with the same broad commonsense as in the past, the community will have little to complain about.

Sir Alan Cunningham called on Arabs and Jewish leaders to co-operate.

The High Commissioner's communique stated that the British Government had made it clear that so long as the mandate for Palestine remained in force, the Palestine Administration would discharge its duty of maintaining law and order in the Holy Land.

In nine days of Arab-Jewish strife there had been a grievous loss of life, extensive damage to property.

Warning that disorders must cease before further suffering and loss, Sir Alan called on Arabs and Jews to co-operate.

If the disorders continued, he would have no option but to direct the security forces to adopt severe measures against all those, Jews and Arabs alike, who were breaking the law.

AGA KHAN'S OFFER

Meanwhile, the Emir Ismail Sulaiman, head of the Ismaelite section in Syria, has informed the Syrian Government that the Aga Khan, supreme head of Ismaelism, had declared that he would contribute £30,000,000 for the "redemption" of Palestine, the Damascus correspondent of the Near East Arab broadcasting station said tonight.

If the United Nations did not deviate from its present decision to partition Palestine, the Aga Khan, according to the Emir Ismail as quoted by the correspondent, said: "He would buy all Palestine and give it back to the Arabs."

Under a rain of shots from the sentry 18 Arab prisoners climbed over the eastern wall of Acre prison in north Palestine today and escaped, it was officially stated.

Arabs from Acre town fired on the prison wall to help those escaping, reports said.

It was later learned that the Arabs escaped by sawing through the bars of their cells, tying up a warden and descending into the Arab market below the prison wall by means of smuggled rope.

Eighty Jewish prisoners were tonight taken from Acre to Jerusalem.

DISPATCH RIDER KILLED

A British dispatch rider was killed and another was wounded by shots fired in Haifa today. It was also reported that a Spanish priest was shot and wounded in the stomach by an unknown gunman while standing on the roof of the Salesian school in Haifa.

With almost complete stoppage of road traffic between Tel-Aviv and Jerusalem, trunk calls between the two cities have risen almost hundred per cent, with delays of upwards of three hours on urgent calls.

The Jaffa telephone exchange is working at less than 50 per cent of its normal strength, 150 Jewish telephone operators staying away from work because they fear Arab attacks.

An unofficial truce was reported to be in effect on the mixed border districts between Jaffa and Tel-Aviv tonight and no incidents had so far been reported. A few British armoured cars patrolled the Jerusalem-Jaffa road.

In Cairo, the Mufti of Jerusalem, Haj Amin el Husseini, and Sheikh Yusuf el Yassin, Saudi Arabian representative to the Arab League talks, held a long secret meeting during the night.

The meeting began at midnight and lasted five hours. No indication has been given of the subjects covered.—Reuter.

ADEN CASUALTIES

London, Dec. 10.—The latest known casualties resulting from the five days' anti-Jewish rioting at the Red Sea port of Aden, which followed the United Nations decision to

partition Palestine, are 75 Jews, 34 Arabs and two Indians killed.

Giving these figures in Parliament today, Mr. David Rees Williams, Under-Secretary for Colonies, said that some hundreds of Jews and Arabs were wounded. Full details of property destroyed by fire, or otherwise, had not yet been received.

The Governor reports that the situation has been generally calm since last Saturday and all necessary measures are being taken to protect all communities," he added.

Mr. Rees Williams said that the police, despite the use of tear gas and rifle fire, were unable to prevent looting and burning of Jewish shops, and military aid was called for.

Three British destroyers landed marines and two companies of infantry were sent to Aden by air. Over 900 Jews were evacuated to camps under British protection and over 100 Arabs were arrested.—Reuter.

Plane Crashes In Labrador

Westover, Field, Massachusetts, Dec. 10.—A solitary figure waving his arm from the centre of the wreckage of the United States Army Skymaster transport plane which crashed in the frozen wastes of Labrador at midnight was spotted today by a small reconnaissance plane.

This news was flashed through to the Army Transport Command here tonight.

An Army spokesman said that "whether he is one of the survivors or a member of a ground rescue crew sent out from Goose Bay is unknown."

An earlier report said that a United States Air Force reconnaissance plane had sighted a "scattered burning wreckage" in an inaccessible area north of Goose Bay, Newfoundland.

Although first reports said that there were "signs of survivors," this was later amended to "no known survivors" when that report was received.

Three ground search parties set out at daybreak from St. John's, Newfoundland, through rugged countryside, a Reuter dispatch from St. John's reported, adding that 29 passengers and crew were on board the crashed plane.—Reuter.

EARTHQUAKE WRECKS HOUSES

Ankara, Dec. 10.—A violent earthquake last night shook an area of eastern Anatolia, wrecking many houses and about 200 stables. The East Anatolian area affected extended from southern Erzurum to Kars, near the Turkish-Russian border.

No loss of human life has been reported, but many thousands of panic-stricken people camped in the open and about 800 lost their homes. The Hassan Kule and Karakousch district suffered particularly badly.

A Reuter message from Nicosia, Cyprus, said that tremors lasting about half a minute, shook the island early today, but no damage was reported.—Reuter.

Confidence Vote For Belgian Govt.

Brussels, Dec. 10.—The Belgian Government received a vote of confidence by 153 against 32 votes in the Chamber of Deputies today after a stormy session during its debate on King Leopold, now in exile in Switzerland.—Reuter.

Siamese Twins Gain Weight

Indianapolis, Dec. 10.—Slam-eating twins born joined together at the tops of their skulls were gaining weight on the usual milk diet of babies.

It was announced today they had gained a total of five ounces since their birth 11 days ago, bringing their combined weight to eight pounds and nine ounces. Their progress in growth and health was about normal for babies born one month prematurely.

Brain specialists abandoned plans for a delicate operation to separate the bone which connects them at the top of the skulls. They said there was virtually no hope that the twins could survive the operation because apparently they have a common brain tissue.

The specialists said the joint was not flexible and theoretically the only way they could ever walk would be with one supported upside down on the head of the other.—United Press.

Soviet Repat Commission Expelled

Paris, Dec. 10.—A 12-man Soviet repatriation commission, including three colonels, expelled from France for alleged "subversive activities" caught the Paris-Orient express for the border last night, in the glare of photographers' flashlights.

Earlier, the Soviet Government had broken off trade negotiations by which the French had hoped to obtain 300,000 tons of wheat in exchange for commercial products.

These developments, making a sudden worsening in Soviet-French relations, were a sequel to French action six weeks ago in closing the Soviet repatriation camp near Paris and the subsequent arrest and expulsion of 19 Soviet citizens for activities "prejudicial to French national interests. The arrest of a twentieth was disclosed today.

In usually well-informed French circles the possibility of the breaking-off of diplomatic relations was considered quite unfounded, although there was some speculation about Soviet intentions.

Colonel Alexandrovitch Nicholai Filatov, head of the expelled mission, waved nonchalantly to a small group of embassy officials and a group of photographers who were waiting when the train left the Gare de Last station for Strasbourg.

A few hours earlier he had been identified by a French Foreign Office spokesman as one of the members of the mission who had been engaged in "subversive activities."—Reuter.

DENOUNCES HIS GOVT.

Moscow, Dec. 10.—Raymond Marquie, chief of the French Repatriation Mission ordered by the Soviet Government to leave Russia, today denounced his own Government for "falsely" accusing Russian officers of subversive activities in France.

M. Marquie, who fought with Polish and Ukrainian partisans during the war, said the French charges against the Soviet repatriation mission in Paris "echoed" today made last summer by a Socialist magazine in the United States. He did not name the magazine.

M. Marquie told a press conference "none" of the allegations in the French notes to Russia "can be charged against the Government or authorities of the Soviet Government or can be supported by any (Continued on Page 4)

Marshall Talks Bluntly

No Reparations From Current Production

DEMANDS INFORMATION

London, Dec. 10.—Secretary of State George Marshall declared on Wednesday night that the Soviet Union was taking US\$500,000,000 annually in German assets out of the Russian occupied zone and demanded that such withdrawals cease within three weeks.

Launching his first offensive in the Council of Foreign Ministers, Marshall made a bid for a showdown on the issue of reparations which may make or break the present conference within a matter of days. In reference to the Soviet demand for US\$10,000,000,000 in reparations from Germany out of current production, Marshall said: "I wish it to be clearly understood that the United States is not prepared to agree to any programme of reparations from current production as a price for the unification of Germany."

He said that while the United States and Britain are pouring US\$700,000,000 annually into Germany "to keep the Germans alive," the Russians in their zone were steadily draining away German assets. He added: "Also in that area German businesses, through one device or another, are being brought under Soviet ownership and placed in a gigantic Soviet trust."

He said that the French and British agreed and Russia reserved its position. Molotov brought up the matter that the United States has printed a new currency for months in Germany and said, "This suggests the possibility for unilateral action in matters of financial reform."

Mr. Marshall replied, "The United States government has taken no decision to bring in new currency in its zone or jointly with any other zone."

The United States agreed to public ownership of certain industries on the condition that the German people as a whole first vote on such nationalisation. This was agreed to by Russia and Britain. France reserved her position until it is decided what controls should be placed on some industries.

BLUNT DEMAND

Apparently determined to put Molotov on the defensive, Marshall started off the meeting with a blunt demand that the Soviet Union produce figures showing reparations removals and the economic progress in the Eastern zone of Germany, which Molotov had refused on Tuesday.

"If we cannot take this economic decision which is of immediate, vital significance, then we are wasting our time when there is no time to waste," Mr. Marshall said.

Mr. Marshall said the Western powers had made economic information available and declared, "I am naturally unable to perceive justification of withholding by the Soviet Union of information which I consider necessary. Such an attitude makes the discussion here unreal."

Mr. Molotov replied that the procedure for the Allied Control Council in Berlin did not provide for making such information available, and when it did so he would supply the information.—Associated Press.

Further action by the Council, or pursuant to a peace treaty, but shall not apply to agreed reparations deliveries in capital goods."

Conference sources said Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov said he would answer Marshall's charges when reparations come up on the agenda, possibly on Thursday. There were strong indications the American position is that unless the Soviet Union drops its reparations claims from current production and "firm" agreements are achieved on economic principles, there is little use in going on with the present meeting.

Mr. Molotov conceded that the Soviet view on reparations differed from the Western view and said, according to conference sources, "As for the considerations just stated by the United States delegation, they are unfounded and the Soviet delegation will prove them unfounded when the question of reparations from current production comes under discussion."

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

Some additional developments of the session, according to official observers were:

Mr. Marshall proposed that the four powers institute currency reform in Germany by next March, according to conference sources.

At the end of 1923 the German Navy was working with various foreign navies on experiments with electrically driven torpedoes—experiments which Germany had to abandon in 1918.

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At the meeting to co-ordinate factory experience in 1940, the Krupp representative said: "It should not be forgotten that Krupp after the world war could keep its factories going only with great difficulty including the using up of our reserves and the Krupp family sacrificing all dividends."

The representative said that these developments cost the concern 300,000,000 marks and consequently Krupp were short by this amount of money required to carry out further extensions.—Reuter.

Krupps Sold Plans For Submarine Construction To Japan In 1920

Nuremberg, Dec. 10.—Plans for submarine construction were sold to Japan by the Krupp armaments combine as early as 1920, two years after the first world war, it was disclosed here today to the American War Crimes Court which is hearing charges of aggression, plunder and slavery against 12 former high officials of the giant firm.

The construction of submarines in Japan on these plans was supervised by engineers from the German and Vulkan shipyards, both belonging to Krupp.

It was stated that with the approval of the German Admiralty the

submarine construction bureau was founded, disguised as a Dutch firm with its seat at Hague so that practical experience of submarines with foreign navies could be obtained.

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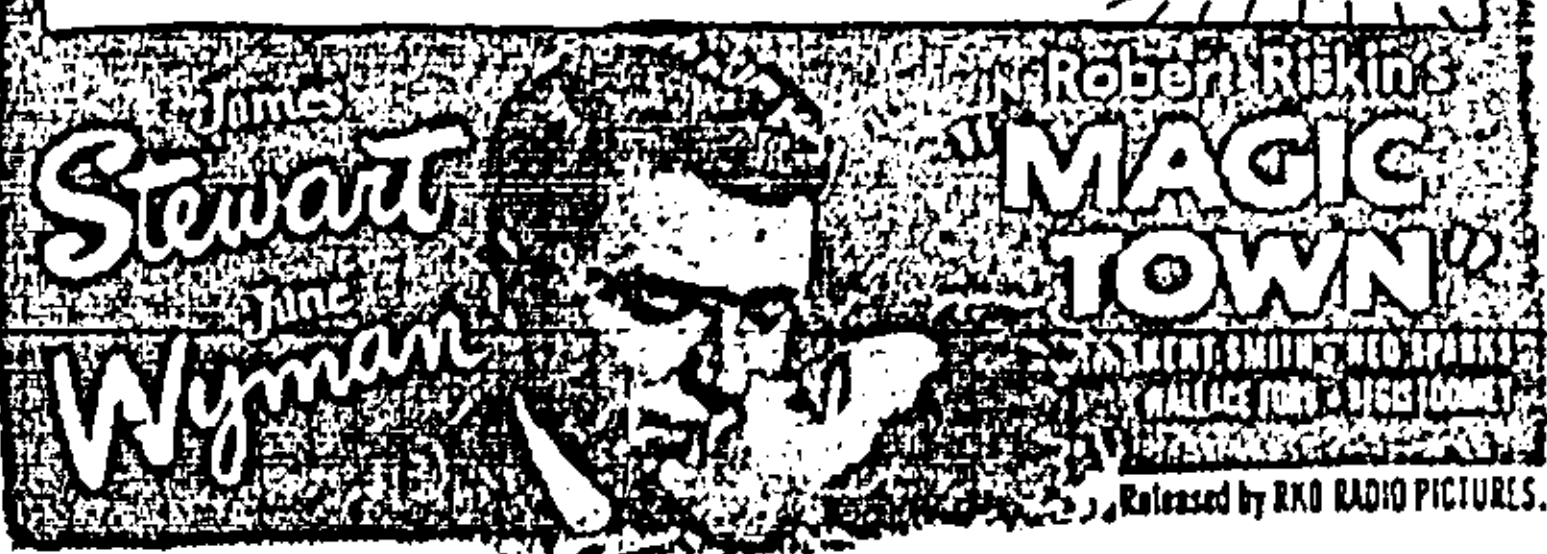
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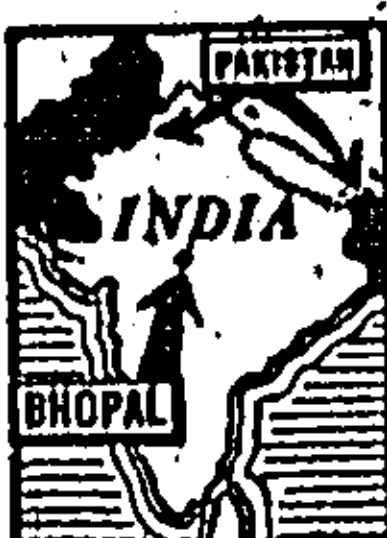
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BHOPAL.

THERE cannot be anything more troubling for a democrat than to watch the arrival of democracy with despair.

In India, where they shake their heads to mean yes and have the same word for yesterday and tomorrow, it is naturally becoming true that the only free men are in jail.

Here is the end of the Festival of Devali, the Nights of the Lamps. Rows of little lights flickered along the streets and alleys, outside every Hindu home a wick burned in a bowl of sweet oil to Lakshmi, the Goddess of Prosperity.

As long as the Devali lights burn no deal can fail, no gamble can miss, no enterprise can lose. Now it is over; all over the States you can watch the lights go out one, by one.

For those who like their symbolism straight, that is India today.

Here is the heart of the ancient Royal India, the great Rajputana and Central India bloc of princely States where Britain never ruled.

Jodhpur, Jaipur, Udaipur, Bundi, Alwar, Gwalior, Bhopal, Dewas, Indore—each one an entity, independent and self-contained, governed by personages who, nine times out of ten, were only a precious stone's throw from being gods. Here was a "pride of princes," and this is the end of it.

Every one of the rulers who signed the instrument of accession to the Dominion of India feared, and now knows, that his number is up; his only hope some sort of political future or a country house in Sussex.

Fighting Goes On

IN Kashmir the fighting goes on, as it may go on for months. In Junagadh, on the west coast, Indian troops have marched into what is technically part of Pakistan. They have taken over from the ruler of Nilgiri.

Not far from here, all around the borders of the great, obstinate Residency of Hyderabad, patrols are on the move watching for gun-runners, while the Nizam's Ministers go ruefully to Delhi in final efforts to "arrange" the Indians out of claiming their State.

They will have to reckon with one of the world's toughest political propositions. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, States Minister, that ironclad party boss (remember the complicated name; very soon it may lead 300,000,000 people), is the Danton of this New Order, inexorably determined to end rule from the throne.

Already his economic sanctions against the States have pushed up their cost of living. As one regretful prince said in Delhi, it is poor fun being charged your fare for a ride in a tumbler.

Let us not be too sad for the princes. There are others worse off.

Refugee column

NOT many miles out of Delhi on the road south they first appeared—a group on the highway that became a crowd, then a multitude, an enormous tattered band preparing to camp for the night.

These were Moslems going north—as not far away there were Hindus going south—stumbling up to Pakistan, for no other reason than their faith.

For four miles and more I drove through this dreadful company, through the smell of

a massed community living where no provision for life has been made, and among the limping, knife-ribbed cattle and scavenging dogs.

Here and there by the roadside a crowd of vultures scrambled and tugged at the carcass of a bullock or the remnants of a man. There were some 30,000 in this column, one of the last.

They had been weeks on the move and would be weeks more creaking on at the plodding, unheating pace of a labouring ox-wagon. Many of them had died, many lay dead there beside their listless relatives on the ground, hundreds more were to die.

Just silence

BUT there was no noise, no complaint, no tumult, just silence and the blank, incurious stare that makes a man in a car, with clothes, food, and a destination, feel uneasily like a Nero. It was a grim and embittering experience.

Eventually the column thinned out and was left behind. I drove south, into the odd, nervous peace of Rajputana. Not for 200 miles did I see a soldier, a policeman, an ambush, or even another car.

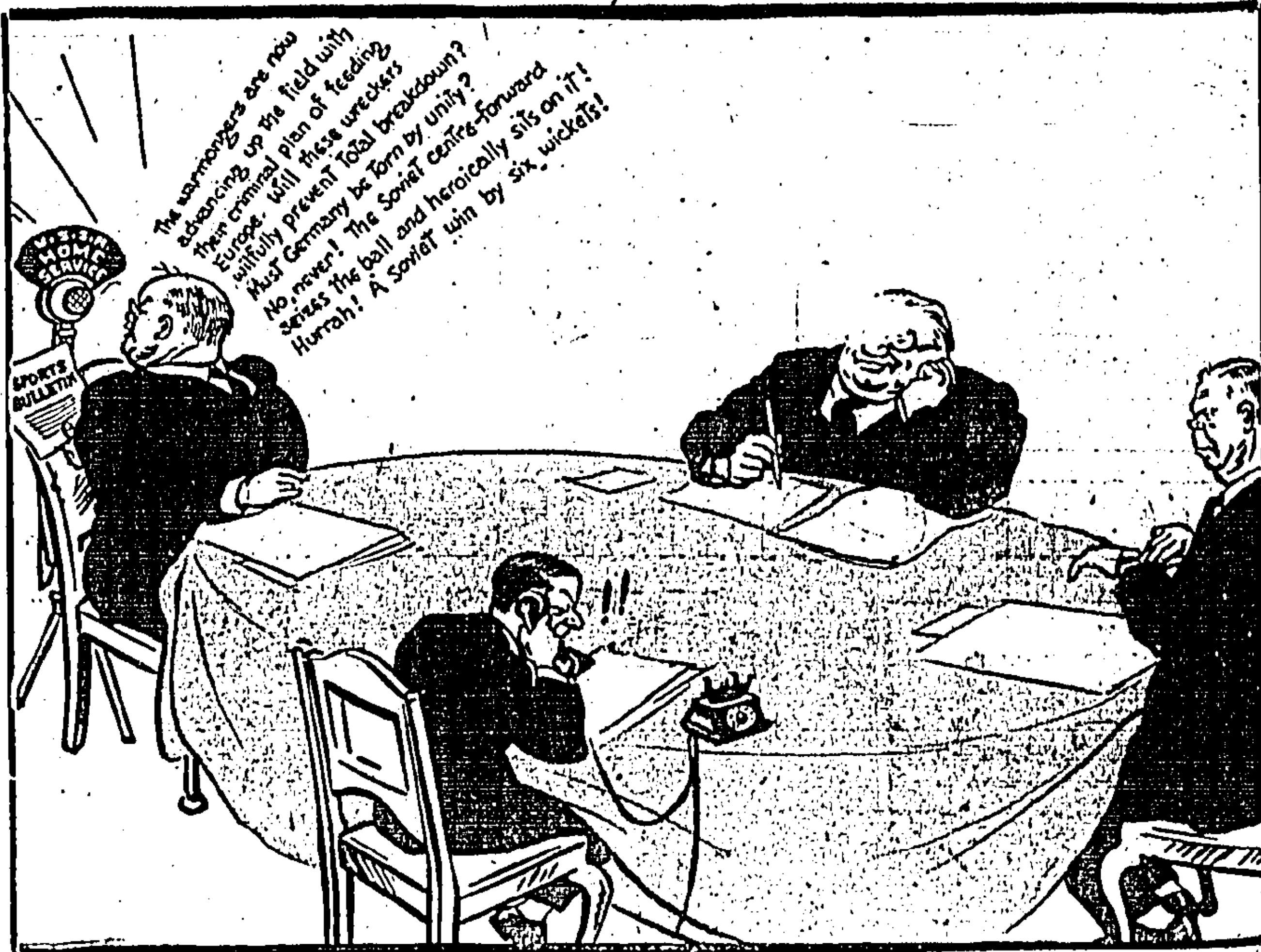
Once or twice some strange thing leaped and capered blindly in the headlights—a hyena, a jackal, a cheetah, or some cat-like shadow with staring emerald eyes. Once a great porcupine clattered across the road under the wheels.

We began to pass road blocks between State and State, little Customs posts with swinging gates and admonitions in the Urdu and Devangari scripts. It was like tearing across Europe at 500 miles an hour.

And at last a barrier like a scene from Grimm, the entrance to Jaipur—a pair of monstrous bronze gates 30ft high and solid as a mountain, closed smack

SOMEONE HASN'T GOT THE RIGHT IDEA

By LOW



THE DEMI-GODS ARE TOPPLING

—BUT NOW the paradox must be faced that free votes, removal of privilege, establishment of representative government . . . everything one values . . . will throw these States into a dervish dance of politics and blood

Already India is turning on the heat. Not a drop of petrol has been allowed into Hyderabad for a week. Goods are held up. For an Indian to buy a ticket to Hyderabad means a permit. The Nizam in reply will not allow any Hyderabad to take train to India.

Man of resource

I SPENT all day with the one Indian ruler who, more than any other, can be called statesman-like. The Nawab of Bhopal, a man of initiative and resource, probably in his day the world's greatest polo player, sat in his modern office smoking a tall silver hugga and forecast his own dissolution with charm and insight.

He was, until his break-up, chancellor of India's monarchical trade union, the Chamber of Princes.

I remember him at Simla last year, earnestly organising his own little group, urging on Sir Stafford Cripps his proposal for a third partition of India—Rajasthan, to balance those embittered brothers, India and Pakistan.

He failed. This year, though he is a Moslem ruler, he acceded to India. Now it is a matter of very little time before the Government of India filters away his power.

Now he, too, has not a drop of petrol coming in.

Mediator

BUT the Nawab of Bhopal is not likely to end his days in a villa in the Riviera or a house in Bath. When the India-Pakistan crisis lurches towards a final showdown only one man qualifies as a mediator, the Nawab. This he will undertake, with the good will of Britain and the Commonwealth. If necessary he would abdicate.

Nor will the Nawab deny that, when Mr Jinnah goes, he himself is the likeliest successor. This man may yet be of as great significance to the Empire as he now is to Bhopal.

Always India

IN a neighbouring State I was given a cupful of precious petrol to get to the station, threading past the solemn sacred cows and the iridescent peacocks. The young A.D.C. with me was smart and modern, an old boy of Mayo College and a captain. But if he had run over either of these holy creatures he would not have been permitted to eat with his family for many years.

Politics are politics, but Hinduism goes on for ever.

At the station the clerk said: "Will you take first or third class?" When I said first he said: "But how can you, when there is nothing but second?" He added: "The train is due to leave, so hasten. But alas it is three hours late, so you must wait."

As it was, is now, and shall be, India, will always be India.

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

EN *Tienmas hay una farfura, Ole!* Welcome to Holborn's Civic Week, Spanish dancers and all. If the gipsies are to leap into their fiery *Joico de Jereca* in High Holborn, who can foretell what will happen in Low Holborn?

And is the jota of Aragon, or the zapateado or the seguidilla, as danced in Southampton-row, likely to "promote the interests of residents in civic affairs"?

A fat lot anybody will care for civic affairs when Bloomsbury ladies leap from their windows with roses in their hair and daggers between their gleaming teeth. The castanets, the tacones in the Calle de Farringdon! Ahi de mi, Gamage!

Plaza de Russell

I AM surprised that I have not been asked to take a hand with the arrangements for Russell-square during the Civic Week, since I know that country so well, owing to the part I played in the Brunswick-square Band Festival.

For instance, it was my idea to get people interested in a project for a public baths and laundry combined, by hiring a choir of porters from Euston to sing "Asleep in the Deep," accompanied by the massed brass bands of Cleethorpes, Besses-o'-the-Barn, Salford, Edgbaston, St. Helena and the Great Ancoats-street Junior Euphorbians.

Lost endeavour

(From the Egyptian of Res-Vut)

I met a man one day
A-walking with his cat,
He had come from a grocer's shop,
To catch the wind in his hat.
He cornered the wind one day,
But his hat had a hole in the top,
And the wind escaped through the hole.
And he went back to the shop.

Forward And Onward!

WHICH and fast as eel-spawn in mid-February come the audacious rallying-cries from the Suet Committee. The latest is: "You Must Do Something About It." Who will say now that the Government isn't giving a lead? Get Your Teeth Into The Plough! Coal Before Caviar! Keep Moving!

Our representatives . . .

A SUGGESTION has been made that, while on holiday, small politicians should be thrown back into the sea. I would rather see them all ploughed back into the ground.

By Ernie Bushmiller

NANCY Disillusioning Nancy

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Women BEAUTY ARTS

By LOIS LEEDS



Posed for Lois Leeds.

No need to let your face fold up, says Lois Leeds.

CONTOUR CONTROL

No woman can look beautiful if she lets her face "fold up" and lets her muscles sag. The dreadful square contour of age need not come to you if you will practise Contour Control.

If you have lost weight the face shows this at once. You must guard against propped muscles. Loose, baggy muscles will bulge and sag unless toned and tightened. The firm line of youth breaks up into soft, fatty tissue which gets ahead of you unless you are vigilant.

Your Contour Control home treatments don't take long but the results are long lasting. Both heat and cold will tone and stimulate but cold seems to tone and firm more effectively.

First, to begin your daily home treatment. Cleanse skin very thoroughly. Start from the throat and cleanse with upward strokes. Stimulate circulation by patting with a chilled mild astringent. Now pat a light layer of rich cream on your skin. Have ready a small bowl filled with ice with squares of cotton in the ice.

Fold your 4x6 cotton pads into spoon-shaped paddles. Now dip the paddle into the astringent. Start moulding firmly, from the centre of the chin, upward to the ears. Now the other side, over and over. Firm, mould, mould! Press upward along the sagging contour line. Now put a bit of ice in a tissue or thin piece

of cotton, then press and mould the contour with the ice.

With your pad, press under the eyes and on the forehead. Finish with generous patting with astringent all over throat and face. Apply a cream or lotion powder foundation.

This Contour Control treatment WILL stimulate and tone up tired, sagging muscles, and it will break down the fatty tissue under the skin.

The Expert in the Kitchen recommends

A NIP FOR PUDDINGS

BABA AU RHUM

4½ lb. flour, pinch of salt, ¼ oz. yeast, ½ pint milk or water, 1 egg, 1 oz. castor sugar, 1 egg, 1 oz. margarine, 2 tablespoonfuls melted golden syrup, 1 oz. currants if liked, 2 tablespoonfuls rum or rum essence.

PREPARE a mould or several small moulds, by greasing well, and dusting out with flour. Warm the flour and salt in a basin. Cream the yeast with ½ teaspoonful castor sugar. Add the tepid milk and strain into a well in the centre of the flour. Cover with a cloth and stand in a warm place for 20 minutes. Beat the flour in by hand, using the beaten egg and melted margarine to mix. Add the currants and rum to the mix. Half fill the moulds and put to rise in a warm place. Bake in a hot oven for 10 minutes in small moulds; 20 minutes if in large moulds.

Serve on a hot dish, prick with a skewer, and baste thoroughly with rum syrup, made by dissolving the golden syrup in 2 tablespoonfuls of water and adding rum or essence to flavour.

APPLE DUMPLINGS

6 oz. flour, 2 oz. margarine or lard, 1 small teaspoonful baking powder, ½ teaspoonful salt, cold water to mix, 4 cooking apples, 1 oz. brown sugar (or dates or raisins), ½ pint custard.

SIEVE the flour and salt into a basin and rub in the fat with the tips of the fingers. Add the baking powder and mix with sufficient water to form a stiff dough. Divide the pastry into four even portions, and roll out into a round about ½ inch thick. Peel and core the apples and place in the centre of the pastry. Fill the centre with brown sugar or dates or raisins. Wrap the pastry round the apple and work out all the cracks carefully with the fingers. Place on a baking sheet and brush over with 1 teaspoonful of sugar dissolved in 1 tablespoonful of water. Bake in a moderate oven Regulo 6 or 400 deg. F. for 30-40 minutes.

GEORGE RODGERS
Principal, Good Housekeeping School of Cookery.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"Yes, sir, in those days we had to offer them almost as much as their old cars were worth just to get them into the showroom!"

Arabs Volunteer For Showdown With Jews

BY SAM SOUKI
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

Cairo, Dec. 10.—The swarthy, middle-aged man with the flashing black eyes finished talking, unsheathed his curved dagger and sank it into his own arm. He did not wince, and only a slight contraction of his eyes betrayed the pain he felt. As the blood started spurting, he fished out a pen, dipped it into the growing red pool and started to write.

"This is my will. I volunteer as a fighter in the Arab Army for the liberation of Palestine. In the event of my death I give half my worldly belongings, lands and income from my firm in Beirut, to the leaders of this army so long as the fight for Palestine continues. The other half goes to my family to support them. I am writing and signing this with my blood, which I am ready to shed for the salvation of Arab Palestine."

The man, a middle-aged Druze with a flourishing business in Beirut,

the capital of the Lebanon, got up, placed a handkerchief over his wound, and handed his will to Fawzi el Kawakji, former commander of the 1937 Arab revolt in Palestine, around whom volunteers are rallying.

This incident took place at Jurnah, a village nestling in the Lebanese mountains, where Kawakji is accepting volunteers for his army.

It is an illustration of the mood of the Arabs throughout the Middle East, believes Kawakji, who told this correspondent that he was daily receiving visits and letters from different parts of the Arab world from people volunteering to fight under his command in Palestine.

FROM HERE & THERE:

Au Revoir, Marga!

Milan. — Marga Hoffmann, 32, from Berlin, called at a police station in Milan, said she was Eva Braun and invited the officers to arrest two persons she had overheard "saying nasty things about Hitler." She was promptly taken to an asylum.

LION STORY

Johannesburg. — When E. C. Wilmot wounded a lion in northern Bechuanaland it sprang on top of him and tried to get at his throat. Wilmot put one arm around his neck to protect himself and pushed the other into the lion's mouth and he was gripped its tongue. The lion was surprised it turned and walked away. Though badly mauled on one arm and thigh, Wilmot followed and killed the lion, shooting with his one uninjured arm.

IN MINIATURE

Madrid. — The whole text of Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" in two tiny booklets of 20 by 20 in two tiny booklets, has been sent to Princess Elizabeth by 28-year-old Hilopito Sanchez, a cartographer of Salamanca. The present includes seals of the Princess and Mountbatten's coat of arms which have been used to emboss the binding of both booklets. Total weight of the booklets is eight grammes and it has taken Sanchez 18 months to finish his work.

BOY ON THE DAY

Perth. — Mrs. John Little, whose triple daughters were born on November 20, has decided to call them Elizabeth, Philippa and Margaret.

HOLIDAY BECOMES LAW

Oslo. — The new "Holiday Law" has come into force in Norway. It means that all employees, apart from a few special groups, are to have three weeks' holiday a year. The law applies to casual as well as regular workers, and it has been unanimously approved by the Norwegian Parliament.

HELMANN COULD LIFT

Vienna. — Hermann Schaeffer, 25-year-old weightlifter, who claims to be the strongest man in Austria, was arrested in Linz for using his strength in the wrong way. The police, who rounded up Schaeffer and four accomplices, state that he made a fortune during recent months by mounting slowly-moving goods trains and throwing off single-handed crates of foodstuffs to accomplices waiting on the line. The food was sold on the black market.

CONSCIENCE

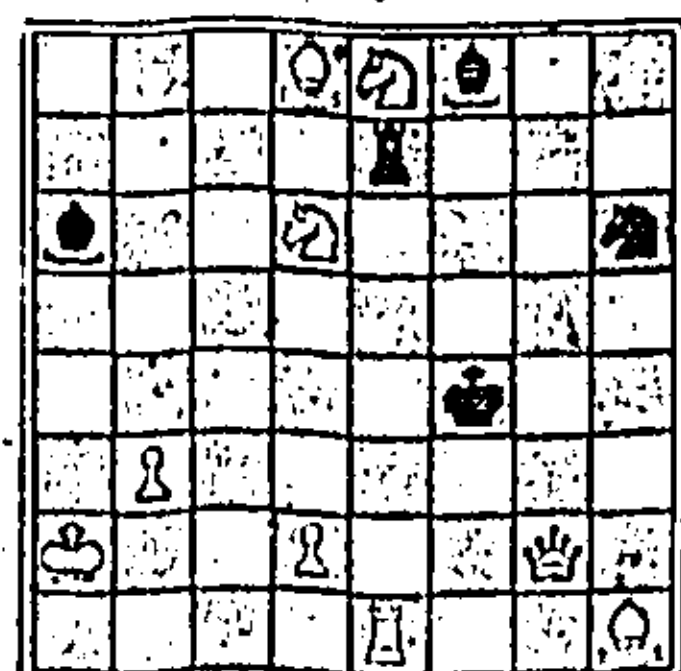
Palermo. — An Italo-American aviator who during the war had taken part in the bombing of Palermo, visited a poor quarter in Palermo and was so impressed by the damage he had assisted in causing that he distributed on the spot Italian banknotes to the value of £300.

FREE BOOKS

New York. — John D. Rockefeller, the world's richest man, is planning to keep British schools and libraries supplied with American technical books free till there are enough dollars to buy them.

CHESS PROBLEM

By ARTHUR A. PAUL
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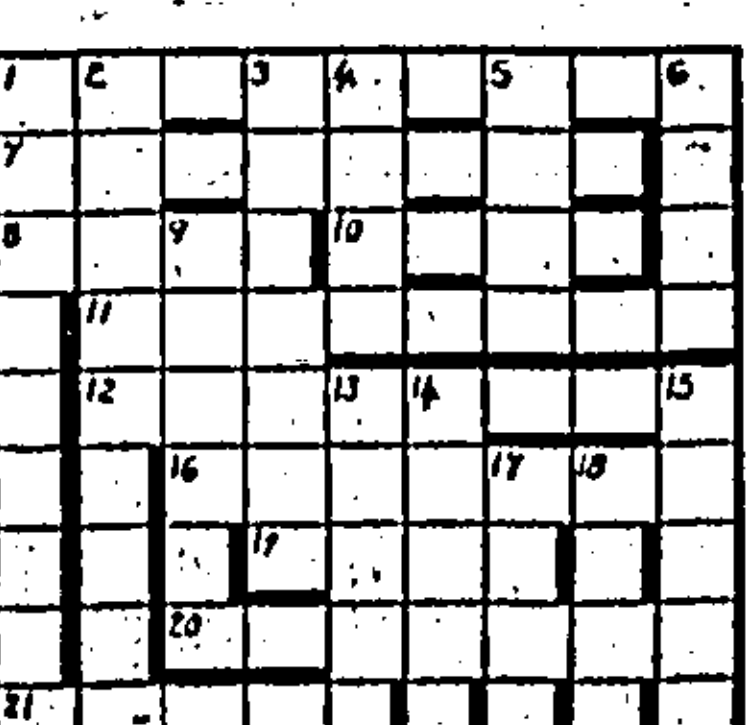
Rupert and the Three Guides—45



Rupert and the three Guides are too breathless to speak when they first reach Constable Growler, and he frowns while he waits to hear their business. But his expression soon changes when Rupert is able to tell his wonderful story and when the Guides hand him the three handkerchiefs filled with jewels. "It's almost unbelievable," says the constable. "No wonder I couldn't find any clues when these wasn't one thief but dozens of them, and all tiny ones!"

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE



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2. By mob law they suffer for the (6)
3. Do ahead for the loan. (7)
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5. Obsolete. (4)
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3. The messenger boy's task. (7)
4. A short forenoon. (4)
5. This sort of tin according to Shakespeare. (6)
6. Cure has a tart look about it. (4)
7. Decorative. (5)
8. Make trifling objections. (5)
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AGREEMENT AT MOSCOW

London, Dec. 10.—A high Government source said today that he believed Britain and Russia had reached an agreement "in principle" on a new trade pact.

Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, is returning today from Moscow, where he has been conducting trade negotiations. The source said he did not believe Wilson would return "unless agreement in principle has been reached."

No details of the talks were disclosed.—Associated Press.

GERMS WILL OUTCLASS ATOM BOMBS

Los Angeles, Dec. 10.—A germ weapon and not an atomic conflict is the great threat of any future war, warned Dr. Arthur Compton, noted scientist and Nobel prize winner.

He said he did not consider the atomic bomb alone was enough to win a war yet "because in order to win you have still got to occupy a country."

Dr. Compton said within another decade bombs might be improved to a point where enemy countries could be blanketed with atomic warheads, making occupation unnecessary.

"But before such an eventuality arrives the forces at work to prolong peace may remove the threats of war," Dr. Compton said. He added these forces would counter the spread of ideas and travel.

Dr. Compton believes the Russians would have the atomic bomb within 10 years, but of a rudimentary type. He added: "When they find out how much trouble it is to make a bomb it will not be surprising if the Russians adopt some other weapons, possibly germ warfare."

He said a war of germs could be more horrible than atomic warfare, because germ weapons aim at wiping out all life whereas atomic weapons are primarily intended to destroy property.

Dr. Compton was chairman of the Department of Physics at the University of Chicago when the first chain reaction nuclear fission was produced there.—United Press.

TRUMAN AND EVANS HOME

Teterboro, New Jersey, Dec. 10.—George W. Truman and Clifford V. Evans, Jr. landed at Teterboro airport at 10.14 a.m. EST today, completing in 122 days 23 hours 4 minutes their flight around the world in the smallest planes ever to attempt the trip.

The pilots, both veterans of the U.S. Army Air Force, took off from Teterboro at 11.10 a.m. last August 9 in their 100-h.p. Piper supercubagers, "City of Angels" and "City of Washington."

Flying wing to wing across oceans and terrain never before spanned by such tiny aircraft, they circled the world on a 23,000-mile route with stops in 21 countries.

The smallest plane previously to make the round-the-world flight was the late Wiley Post's "Winnie Mae," a 575-h.p. Lockheed Vega, described at the time as the "fastest thing on wings," which Post piloted twice on a 15,600 mile course in eight days in 1931 and in just one week in 1933.

Truman, a native of Los Angeles, has been flying since 1928. He served as an Army flight instructor during the war, and since his discharge has been instructing flying students with Evans in Washington. Evans received the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal for services as a C-47 pilot in the China-Burma-India theatre of war.—United Press.

SUCCESSOR TO GEN. LUCAS

Washington, Dec. 10.—Major-General David G. Barr has been appointed Chief of the Army Advisory Group in China to succeed Major-General John P. Lucas, Secretary of the group.

The change in command becomes effective about March 1 and is in line with the Army policy of rotating general officers in the various commands.

Barr at present is Assistant Chief of Staff at the Army Ground Forces headquarters at Fort Monroe, Virginia.—Associated Press.

IRAN'S PREMIER RESIGNS

Tehran, Iran, Dec. 10.—Premier Ahmed Qavam failed on Wednesday night to win sufficient votes in the Iranian Parliament in a test of confidence and in accord with constitutional procedure his resignation became mandatory. The Tehran radio announced he has resigned.—Associated Press.

ANOTHER BIG ROME STRIKE IS ORDERED

Rome, Dec. 10.—The Provincial Chamber of Labour on Wednesday night ordered a general strike for Rome and Rome province beginning with the start of the working day on Thursday and to continue until Premier Alcide de Gasperi's government meets demands of leftists for winter unemployment aid.

The new leftist challenge to the government climaxed a wave of Communist led demonstrations, strikes and violence which has harassed the middle of the road Christian Democratic government for four weeks.

The immediate cause for the strike call was the fatal shooting of a 20-year-old Communist in a clash between demonstrators and police in the Primavalle slum area of Rome's outskirts on Friday.

A committee of delegates, called the "Council of Labor," decreed that the strike would continue until the government met demands advanced on behalf of the Rome area's 80,000 unemployed.

Calling out all workers in industry, commerce and agriculture, except a few to keep some skeleton services going, the Provincial Chamber of Labour demanded the earmarking of 10,000,000,000 lire

(US\$18,050,000) for a public works programme. The Chamber charged that the government had offered only 2,000,000,000 lire for public works, although unofficial reports earlier said the government offered to set aside 11,000,000,000 lire for a nationwide programme.

Extended Occupations: Virtually all Rome's transportation is scheduled to stop at midnight. There are several exemptions from the strike call, including bakers and millers, employees of food stores, public markets, dairies and certain restaurants, enough public utilities employees to keep services going, and postal and communications employees needed to handle telegrams and sort mail, but not to distribute mail.

As the strike was called de Gasperi was still trying to broaden his government and gain parliamentary support by bringing the two small leftist parties, Labour Socialists and Republicans, into his government.

The Republicans are reported still reluctant, however, to accept the post of Public Order, which de Gasperi is reported to have offered them. The calling of the general strike makes the post of Public Order the hot spot in his government.—Associated Press.

Government Allocation: Rome, Dec. 10.—The Government today appropriated 10,350,000,000 lire for the Rome public works programme, thus meeting one of the main demands of the Communist-controlled workers, who have called a general strike to start in Rome at midnight.—United Press.

Letters To The Editor

Commutation Of Sentences

Sir,—On the occasion of the anniversary of the outbreak of war in the Far East, it is pertinent to refer to a small news item which appeared in the Telegraph last week, which referred to a request being made to the War Office by the Canadian Government about the commutation of the death sentences passed on Colonel Tokunaga and Capt. (Dr) Salto.

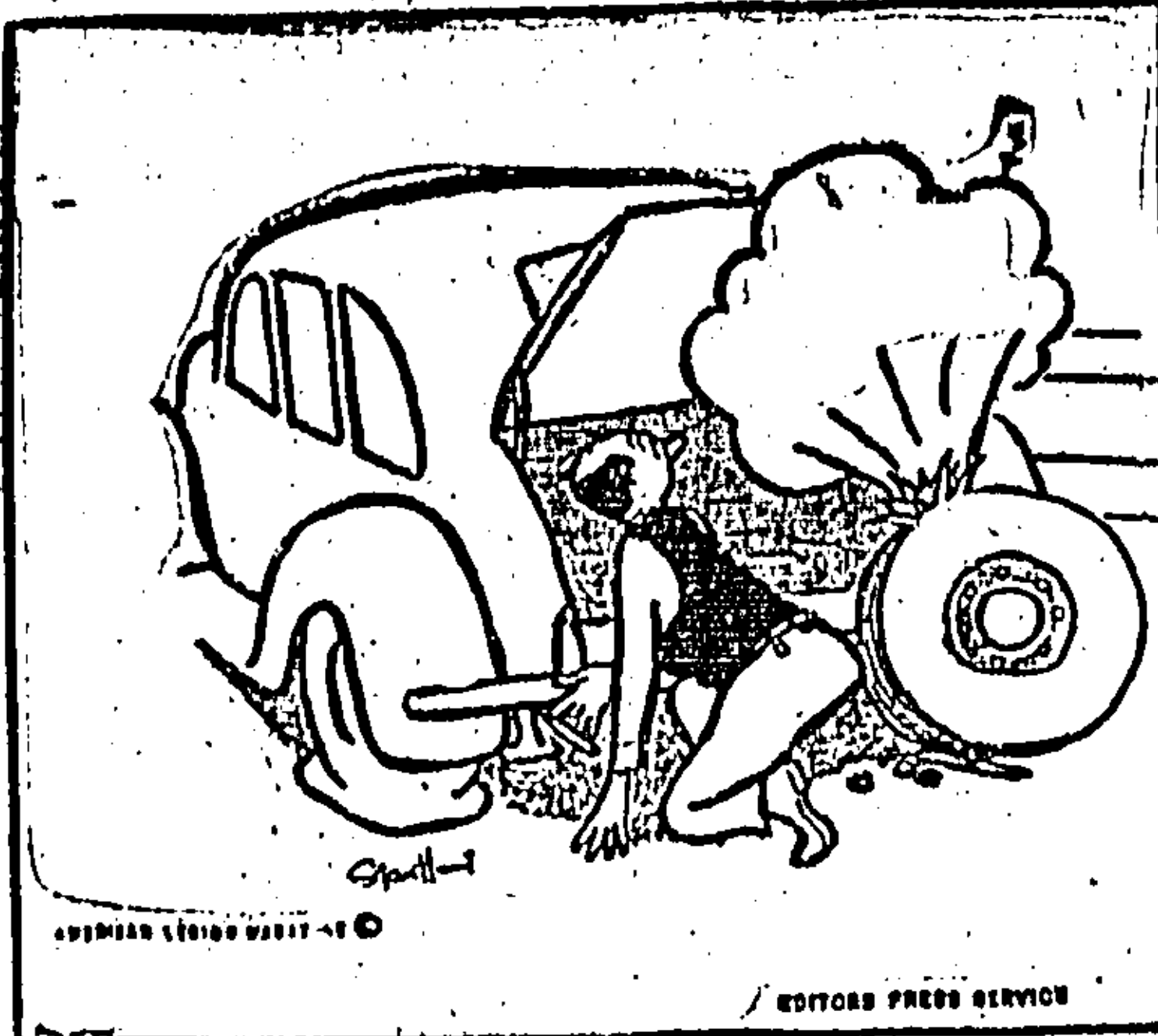
One cannot help wondering on what grounds these sentences were commuted by the then Acting G.O.C. I am reluctant to accept the theory that they were commuted either on humanitarian grounds or on the personal principles of the authority concerned, but in face of the overwhelming evidence against them it appears that personal principles rather than impartial justice were the deciding factors. I wonder whether the sufferings of thousands of Allied and Dominion P.O.W.s, and the deaths of many of them, were considered less important than the grounds on which these two criminals were allowed to live. Did the Acting G.O.C. think that the situation being the reverse, Colonel Tokunaga would have commuted the death sentence on him? From long and painful experience of both these Japanese officers, I am safe in saying that Colonel Tokunaga would have been only too pleased to perform the execution himself.

One other traitor and criminal, "Slap-Happy" Inouye, was justly executed for his crimes, and if he was guilty, as indeed he was, then Colonel Tokunaga and Capt. Salto are doubly guilty of worse crimes. Did thousands of prisoners of war and internees in Hongkong suffer three and a half years of incredible hardships to allow such criminals to avoid their just deserts, or to allow personal principles to override common justice?

Perhaps after such a lapse of time, those who were lucky enough to escape prison life under the Japanese have forgotten those who did. A satisfactory and proper answer to the question which as yet remains unanswered would go a long way in restoring faith in the impartiality of British justice.

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The official answer to the correspondent's query was issued on July 10, 1947, and in part read: "The commanding officer is furnished with the best legal advice before he deals with proceedings both as to the findings and sentences. He has complete discretion to commute or vary any sentence though he cannot increase it. While he is not bound to act on the advice given him by his legal adviser as to the finding, he would incur a considerable responsibility were he not to do so. In the case of sentences, however, he is entitled to take such action as he may, in his discretion, see fit to bring any sentence in line with his own personal conception of justice and as to what he feels is right and just punishment in each particular case, whatever the opinion of his legal adviser may have been. An officer carrying out these duties fully realises that his actions are open to public comment, but it is for him to apply his sense of justice without consideration as to whether his action is popular or unpopular."



TOSHACK OMITTED FROM SECOND TEST TEAM

Sydney, Dec. 10.—Having failed to pass a medical test Ernest Toshack, who took 11 wickets for 31 runs during the Brisbane Test, has been omitted from Australia's team for the second Test which begins here on Friday.

Victoria's lefthanded batsman, Neil Harvey, 18 years old and the youngest of five cricketing brothers, has been included among the Australians from whom the team will finally be chosen.

Toshack slightly strained a cartilage during the Brisbane game, and he left the field for several overs. The injury was then not regarded as serious and medical advice suggested that he would be fit for the second Test.

Though severe, the withdrawal of Toshack is not an irreparable blow to Australia owing to the wide variety of bowling at Bradman's command.

It is significant that after an inferior display in the first Test against England last year, Toshack was sparingly used in the second Test at Sydney, and delivered only 13 overs at a cost of 22 runs.

On that occasion offspinner Johnson was the destroyer, with six wickets for 42 runs in 40 overs. Bradman now has five bowlers available—Ray Lindwall, K. Miller, W. Johnston, Colin McCool and Ian Johnson.

The inclusion of Neil Harvey is a surprise, even though it is generally conceded that he deserves a place in the team. At present he is in Perth, from where he is flying today to Sydney.

For Victoria against Western Australia in the drawn Sheffield Shield which ended yesterday, he hit 41. A splendid deep fieldman, Harvey would be an asset to the team.—Reuter.

Indians Not Picked: Sydney, Dec. 10.—India's cricketing tourists were tonight guests at

King Michael Going Home

Geneva, Dec. 10.—King Michael of Rumania, who has been in Lausanne since his arrival there from London, where he attended Princess Elizabeth's wedding, is likely to leave for Bucharest on Friday or Saturday, a spokesman of the Rumanian Legation at Berne stated today.

The King's special train is believed to be on its way from Bucharest today.

Another authoritative source commented today that it would be surprising if any official confirmation concerning the reports that the King may become engaged to the 23-year-old Princess Anne, Bourbon-Parma was made before his departure from Switzerland.

The Princess, with her mother, is staying at the same hotel in Lausanne as King Michael, his mother, Queen Helen, his aunt, the widowed Duchess of Kosma, and his uncle, Prince Nicholas.—Reuter.

Repat Commission Expelled

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proof." On the other hand, he said, the French Government had not furnished him with any facts enabling him to answer Soviet allegations of deeds "tolerated if not encouraged" by the French Government.

ACCUSATIONS

He listed French acts directed against Russia as: (1) hindering or preventing the return to Russia of Soviet citizens in France or the French occupation zones. (2) Permitting propaganda hostile to the Soviet Union in displaced persons camps.

(3) Delivering "false" documents, such as the one charging Soviet citizens with subversive activities in connection with the recent disorders in France.

(4) Refusing to return to the Soviet Union Soviet citizens accused of war crimes. M. Marquie, charged that there had been "systematic bad faith" in carrying out the two-year-old Franco-Russian repatriation agreement which was cancelled yesterday by the Soviet Union.—United Press.

a cocktail party given by the Pakistan Trade Commissioner. The tourists have not yet decided on their team for the second Test which starts on Friday, as much must depend on the weather, but the team will be announced tomorrow night.

The rain-soaked ground prevented any practice today, and it is hoped that the weather will clear sufficiently to enable some practice tomorrow.

Obviously the team will be chosen according to the prospective weather conditions, and under normal conditions changes are needed from the side which lost at Brisbane.

The selectors unfortunately cannot be assured of normal conditions.

Critics here estimate that the tourists are worth 500 runs an innings when their batting order is established. The main weakness at present is in the opening batsmen.

Ranvirsinhji's Chances

Ranvirsinhji, although short of match practice, is thought to be worthy of a chance to open with Sarwat. Against New South Wales he batted over an hour for 27 and survived the new ball period although uncertain with his timing and scoring strokes.

At Warwick, in his only other match, he also survived the new ball and was caught when attempting to place the ball clear of fieldsmen on the outside.

The inclusion of Ranvirsinhji would entail the omission of Rangnekar, who has scored only 98 runs in 11 completed innings. It is too much to expect Rangnekar to be confident against a Test attack, and he may strike his real form in the Test matches.

Ranvirsinhji's inclusion, too, would settle the number three position for which Gul Mahomed seems unsuited. Mankad as number three would help towards the solution.

It must not be forgotten that Mankad's dismissal as an opening batsman in the early overs has a depressing effect on the tourists and a corresponding psychological effect on the Australians who are glad to see his back.

Frequent Changes

Hazare and Amarnath as numbers four and five are automatic placings followed by Adikhari, Kishenchand and Gul Mahomed.

The public here are astonished at Amarnath's frequent changes in the batting order and also his tendency sometimes to bat number seven. This latter position entails too much responsibility in retaining the strike and does not allow scope for his immense ability against all types of bowling.

In an attack Phadkar is likely to be more useful than Sohoni, with the new ball being likely to gain greater lift from a hard pitch.

To date his field deployment has been incorrect with too many slips and leg slips, indicating a plan of attack.

A sound team, might well be Sarwat, Ranvirsinhji, Mankad, Hazare, Amarnath, Adikhari, Kishenchand, Gul Mahomed, Phadkar, Nayudu and Irani.—Reuter.

Harringay Fights

London, Dec. 10.—The absence through illness of Roberto Proletti, who was due to defend the European lightweight championship at Harringay Arena last night against the British champion, Billy Thompson, caused a change of champion. Before long, forced the champion, Belgian, Willy Wims, to retire in the third round. Dicky O'Sullivan, flyweight, outpointed Raoul Degryse, the Belgian champion, in the flyweight contest.—Reuter.

Filipino's Win

White Plains, Dec. 10.—Al Victoria, of Virgin Islands, knocked out Speedy Navarro, of the Philippines, in the fifth round in a semi-final bout here today.—United Press.

Rugby Results

London, Dec. 10.—The results of Rugby matches played yesterday were: Rugby League—Bramley 3, New Zealand Tourists 31. Rugby Union—Sussex 8, Hampshire 38.—Reuter.

Increased U.S. Powers In Germany Clarified

London, Dec. 10.—The statement by the United States Secretary of the Army, Mr. Kenneth Royall, to the Senate that, as a result of the Washington financial negotiations, the United States would in future have "controlling power over the economic and financial policies" in the merged Western Zones of Germany was qualified today by a Foreign Office spokesman as applying only to foreign trade.

The spokesman, representing the German Department of the Foreign Office, made it clear that the future division of power and responsibility between Britain and the United States in any field outside foreign trade had not even been discussed in the negotiations for a revision of the merger agreement of last December.

The Foreign Office spokesman flatly denied another version of the Washington statement carried by a London newspaper which attributed to Mr. Royall the view that the United States would also control political policy.

It is understood that what was actually discussed in Washington, apart from the extent of the future financial contributions by both countries, was the composition and organisation of a joint Export-Import Agency.

The draft agreement now awaiting the approval of both Governments is expected to give Americans a majority control of that Agency, with limited right of appeal against the majority's decision, to the Zonal commanders.—Reuter.

Coal Price Hike

Essen, Dec. 10.—The chiefs of the German mining industry have asked the British and American bizonal administrations to raise the pithead price of a ton of coal from 15 marks—the price of three cigarettes on the black market—to 25 marks.

They want a bigger pithead price, both for exported coal and for home use in Germany.

An expert said that the present fixed price was based on production, and if it were retained the State would have to pay a subsidy of at least 1,000,000,000 marks next year.

Under the present currency system in which the mark has almost lost its meaning, this subsidy would not be important, but if a reform came soon there would be serious repercussions on the budget.

Even if the price increase were approved, experts said it would barely cover the cost of raising the coal and would allow no surplus for all important replacements of machinery and the improvement of mines.—Reuter.

Faster Than Sound Aircraft

London, Dec. 10.—Government research scientists have succeeded in flying a jet-propelled winged model aircraft at a speed exceeding that of sound.

The Ministry of Supply has revealed no details of these experiments, but enough is known to make it clear that, after the time lag to allow British scientists to catch up with German technical development during the latter stages of the war, Britain is making real progress into the realm of very high speed flight.

The model was driven by what is known as ram jet. This is a jet motor and does not have artificial aids of air pumps and compressors to make up for the lack of speed through the atmosphere.—Reuter.

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